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In re Application of: Preissman Application No. 09/828,539 Filed: April 5, 2001 Attorney Docket No. 361722000201

DECISION GRANTING PETITION

This is a decision on the June 17, 2002 renewed petition under 37 C.F.R. §1.10(c) requesting that the above-identified application be accorded a filing date of April 5, 2001, rather than the presently accorded filing date of April 4, 2001.

Petitioner alleges that the application was deposited in Express Mail service on April 5, 2001. In support, the petition is accompanied by a copy of Express Mail receipt no. EM056842727US (the same Express Mail number found on the original application papers located in the official file) showing a "date in" of April 5, 2001.

In view of the above, this petition is granted.

This application will be returned to Initial Patent Examination Division for correction of the filing date to April 5, 2001.

The petition fee will be refunded to Petitioner's deposit account (da#50-0815).

Telephone inquiries concerning this matter may be directed to the undersigned in the Office of Petitions at (703) 306-5593.

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